DATE: September 24, 2020

Chairman Dan Huberty House Committee on Public Education Texas Capitol EXT E2.124 1100 Congress Ave, Austin, TX 78701

Dear Chairman Huberty:

My name is Henna Hosain and I am a fifth-grade teacher at Uplift North Hills Preparatory school. I am a constituent of House District 103.

I am a recipient of the first TIA cohort, and I am honored to receive this recognition, along with several fellow teachers in our district. I got into teaching because my mom was a microbiologist and a professor. I grew up thinking that I would become a doctor, until I lost my mom (my bestfriend) suddenly within the first semester of high school. I was lost for a long time as to what career path would be best for me but eventually, I would choose a path that I know would make my mom proud of me. Being a teacher and doing my best daily for my scholars and their families is how I honor her.

This recognition has given me a boost of confidence that I needed tremendously this year. This year has been a year of many lifetime of tests, losing so many people near and dear to me, and not knowing what is to come. Teacher Initiative Allotment is important to me also because I struggle with my own health issues, for which I have several appointments a year with my specialists and monthly medicines. This allotment makes me less stressed, which in turn lessens my health issue because my health worsens with stress. Due to this allotment I know that I am doing the best I can for all my scholars that I have served for over 10 years. TIA has given me the confidence I needed because lack of confidence can really affect the productivity of a person. I give my scholars confidence in what they do daily in my classroom, this builds their stamina to know that they can do what they thought was impossible.

Thank you for your consideration and support of public schools in Texas. I appreciate this greatly and will be ever so grateful for being part of Texas Education.

Sincerely.

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